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The Honorable Michelle Christensen Minnesota House of Representatives 577 State Office Building St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representative Christensen:

The Minnesota State Patrol supports H.F. 1149 which expands the authority of Department of Natural Resources conservation officers under impaired driving laws.

Minnesota's conservation officers are currently prohibited from reading the implied consent advisory after arresting impaired drivers in motor vehicles. This can create inefficiencies and complications when conservation officers encounter impaired drivers of motor vehicles during their work. The proposed change in the statute will help ensure our roadways are safer and improve efficiency in enforcing impaired driving laws.

Sincerely,

Colonel Matthew C. Langer Chief, Minnesota State Patrol